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Heterogeneity in maize starch granule internal architecture deduced from diffusion of fluorescent dextran probes Original Research Article *Pages 365-373* Sushil Dhital, Kinnari J. Shelat, Ashok K. Shrestha, Michael J. Gidley

Highlights

▶ Diffusion coefficients of fluorescent dextrans within maize starch granules measured. ▶ Penetration of dextrans into granules variable but greatly enhanced by amylolysis. ▶ Individual granules exhibit either slow-type or fast-type dextran diffusion. ▶ Slow and fast diffusion rates not affected by dextran size or amylolysis. ▶ Maize starch granules have marked heterogeneity in their internal architecture.

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Adsorptive decolorization of methylene blue by crosslinked porous starch Original Research Article *Pages 374-379* Lei Guo, Guiying Li, Junshen Liu, Yanfeng Meng, Yanfeng Tang

Highlights

► We prepared and characterized crosslinked porous starch (CPS) as a safe adsorbent. ► CPS shows higher adsorption capacity to methylene blue than porous starch. ► The equilibrium adsorption data are well described by the Langmuir isotherm model. ► The adsorption of methylene blue on CPS is endothermic and spontaneous in nature. ► The thermodynamics data are in good agreement with physical adsorption mechanism.

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Preparation and characterization of sodium alginate modified with collagen peptides

Original Research Article Pages 380-385 Lihong Fan, Mi Cao, Song Gao, Tan Wang, Huan Wu, Min Peng, Xiaoyu Zhou, Min Nie

Highlights

► SA-COP was prepared by collagen peptides and sodium alginate. ► SA-COP exhibited good hydrogen peroxide scavenging abilities. ► SA-COP showed good cell viability.

Aegle marmelos fruit pectin for food and pharmaceuticals: Physico-chemical, rheological and functional performance Original Research Article Pages 386-394 Manish Jindal, Vineet Kumar, Vikas Rana, A.K. Tiwary

Highlights

▶ BFP exhibited low SI, acetyl value, DE and high anhydrouronic acid content. ▶ Absence of hemagglutinating activity and antinutritional factors. ▶ Better emulsion capacity and stability than citrus pectin. ▶ Significant concentration-dependent prolongation of prothrombin time. ▶ Better antimicrobial potency than citrus pectin at all concentrations.

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Purification and characterization of an antitumor polysaccharide from Portulaca oleracea L.
Original Research Article
Pages 395-400
Huan Shen, Guo Tang, Guang Zeng, Yongjin Yang, Xingwei Cai, Dongli Li, Hongchen Liu, Ningxin Zhou

Highlights

▶ We purified a unique polysaccharide component (POP) from *Portulaca oleracea*. ▶ POP had pronounced anti-tumor effects in vivo model. ▶ POP potentiated the animal's immune responses. ▶
 POP protected the liver and kidney from damage. ▶ The anti-tumor effect of POP could be associated with its immunostimulating properties.

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Effects of Ar-H₂-N₂ microwave plasma on chitosan and its nanoliposomes blend thin films designed for tissue engineering applications Original Research Article *Pages 401-411* H.Y. Zhang, F. Cleymand, C. Noël, C.J.F. Kahn, M. Linder, A. Dahoun, G. Henrion, E. Arab-Tehrany

Highlights

► The double functionalizations of chitosan by nanoliposomes and cold plasma. ► Improvement of the wettability and surface energy of chitosan and its nanoliposomes blend films. ► The lipid compositions influence on plasma treatment.

Influence of pretreatment of cotton yarns prior to biopolishing

Pages 412-415 A.A. Ulson de Souza, F.C.S. Ferreira, S.M.A. Guelli U. Souza

Highlights

A pretreatment on the accessibility of the yarn to the enzyme during biopolishing was studied. ► The pretreatment promotes enzymatic attack in situations where this is not favored. ► Pretreatment with water for 24 h is important for inducing the enzymatic attack. ► After the biopolishing the yarns showed less shrinkage. ► Pretreated before biopolishing promotes greater spacing between the chairs.

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Oligosaccharides and monomeric carbohydrates production from olive tree pruning biomass Original Research Article *Pages 416-423* Soledad Mateo, Juan G. Puentes, Sebastián Sánchez, Alberto J. Moya

Highlights

Carbohydrate generation from olive tree pruning biomass is proposed. ► Severity factor is employed to study important parameters related to oligosaccharides and sugars production. ► Thermal pretreatments with acid or liquid hot water were performed. ► Pretreatments conditions were optimized to a possible liquid fermentation.

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Accessibility of cellulose: Structural changes and their reversibility in aqueous media Original Research Article

Pages 424-429 Raili Pönni, Eero Kontturi, Tapani Vuorinen

Highlights

▶ Wet acidic treatments cause similar changes in the pulp as drying. ▶ Wet alkaline treatments cause a dynamic equilibrium in cellulose accessibility. ▶ Temperature influences the changes in cellulose accessibility during wet treatments. ▶ Alkaline treatments are hypothesized to influence cellulose crystallinity.

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Preparation, drug release and cellular uptake of doxorubicin-loaded dextran-b-poly(ε-caprolactone) nanoparticlesOriginal Research ArticlePages 430-437Bengang Li, Qing Wang, Xin Wang, Chongzhi Wang, Xiqun Jiang

Highlights

▶ Dextran-b-PCL diblock copolymers were synthesized by the end-to-end coupling between dextran and poly(ε-caprolactone).
 ▶ Drug-loaded dextran-b-PCL nanoparticles were prepared by a modified nanoprecipitation method.
 ▶ In vitro release of drug from dextran-b-PCL nanoparticles showed a sustained release manner.
 ▶ The fluorescence imaging showed that Dex-b-PCL nanoparticles could be easily uptaken by cancer cells.

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Phase transfer-catalyzed synthesis of highly acrylated hyaluronan

Pages 438-441 Jana Becher, Stephanie Möller, Matthias Schnabelrauch

Highlights

► Hyaluronan acrylates were prepared using phase-transfer conditions. ► High degrees of acrylation ranging up to 1.7 per disaccharide repeating unit are accessible. ► Synthesized hyaluronan acrylates form dimensionally stable hydrogels by UV or visible light initiated photo-crosslinking.

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Cardioprotective and antioxidant activities of a polysaccharide from the root bark of *Aralia elata* (Miq.) Seem Original Research Article *Pages 442-448* Jing Zhang, Haiyan Wang, Yusheng Xue, Qiangsun Zheng

Highlights

▶ A polysaccharide AEP-w1 was isolated from the root bark of *Aralia elata*. ▶ The antioxidant and cardioprotective potential of AEP-w1 were evaluated in vitro. ▶ AEP-w1 showed potent free radical scavenging activity and reducing power. ▶ AEP-w1 pretreatment protected H9c2 cells from H_2O_2 -induced injury. ▶ AEP-w1 pretreatment exhibited inhibition effect on mitochondrial dysfunction.

β-Cyclodextrin hydrogels for the ocular release of antibacterial thiosemicarbazones Original Research Article *Pages 449-457*Romina J. Glisoni, María J. García-Fernández, Marylú Pino, Gabriel Gutkind, Albertina G.

Moglioni, Carmen Alvarez-Lorenzo, Angel Concheiro, Alejandro Sosnik

Graphical abstract



Highlights

▶ We develope β-CD hydrogels for the ocular release of thiosemicarbazones. ▶ An antimicrobial thiosemicarbazone was efficiently loaded into the networks. ▶ Hydrogels provided a controlled release for at least two weeks. ▶ Drug-loaded networks inhibited the growth of *P. aeruginosa* and *S. Aureus in vitro*.

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Atomic force microscopy imaging of carrageenans from red algae of Gigartinaceae and Tichocarpaceae families Original Research Article *Pages 458-465* E.V. Sokolova, E.A. Chusovitin, A.O. Barabanova, S.A. Balagan, N.G. Galkin, I.M. Yermak

Highlights

▶ K-, κ/β - and κ/ι -carrageenans form fibrous network-like structures. ▶ Compared to κ -carrageenan, κ/β -carrageenan network was more open with coarser fibers. ▶ λ -Carrageenan formed honeycombed structures at high concentrations.

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Regioselective modification of a xyloglucan hemicellulose for high-performance

biopolymer barrier films

Original Research Article Pages 466-472 Joby J. Kochumalayil, Qi Zhou, Wakako Kasai, Lars A. Berglund

Highlights

▶ Regioselective xyloglucan modification with preserved cellulose backbone. ▶ High Tg of xyloglucan
 (275 °C) reduced by more than 100 °C. ▶ Reduced moisture sorption for xyloglucan by chemical
 modification. ▶ New route to cellulose derivative without the use of harmful solvents.

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Cloning of inulin fructotransferase (DFA III-producing) gene from *Arthrobacter* sp. L68-1

Pages 473-477 Kazutomo Haraguchi

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Structural elucidation of an extracellular polysaccharide produced by the marine fungus *Aspergillus versicolor*

Original Research Article *Pages 478-483* Yin Chen, Wenjun Mao, Yan Gao, Xiancun Teng, Weiming Zhu, Yanli Chen, Chunqi Zhao, Na Li, Chunyan Wang, Mengxia Yan, Jimiao Shan, Cong Lin, Tao Guo

Highlights

► AWP was obtained from the fermented liquid of Aspergillus versicolor.
 ► Structure of AWP was elucidated by GC-MS, FTIR and NMR.
 ► The backbone of AWP consisted of glucopyranose units.
 ► The side chain contained mannopyranose units.
 ► AWP was a novel polysaccharide different from other exopolysaccharides.

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Electrospinning of commercial guar-gum: Effects of purification and filtration Original Research Article *Pages 484-491* Adriana F. Lubambo, Rilton A. de Freitas, Maria-R. Sierakowski, Neoli Lucyszyn, Guilherme L. Sassaki, Bruno M. Serafim, Cyro Ketzer Saul

► Guar gums were electrospun on mica and copper at several concentrations. ► Two purification procedures and filtration sequence were applied on the solution. ► The electrospun fiber diameter decreased with membrane pore diameter reduction. ► Purification and filtration enhanced the electrospun fiber morphology.

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Influence of medium-chain triglycerides on expansion and rheological properties of extruded corn starch
Original Research Article *Pages 492-498*Mario Horvat, M. Azad Emin, Bernhard Hochstein, Norbert Willenbacher, Heike Petra Schuchmann

Highlights

Addition of MCT-oil increased sectional expansion by up to three times. ► Longitudinal expansion only slightly decreased upon oil addition. ► Thermomechanical history of starch was not affected by oil.
 We determined the Bagley pressure, which is a measure of elongational properties. ► We observed a change in the Bagley pressure by addition of MCT-oil.

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Polysaccharide nanofiber made from euglenoid alga Original Research Article Pages 499-505 Motonari Shibakami, Gen Tsubouchi, Makoto Nakamura, Masahiro Hayashi

Highlights

▶ Triplex and nanofiber made from paramylon were prepared. ▶ Preparation process hinges on the self-assembly ability of paramylon. ▶ Fiber width is controlled by adjusting NaOH concentration of paramylon solutions. ▶ Nanofiber has an ordered structure produced by a hierarchic association process.

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Novel cationic-modified salep as an efficient flocculating agent for settling of cement slurries Original Research Article *Pages 506-511* Ali Pourjavadi, Seyed Mahmoud Fakoorpoor, Seyed Hassan Hosseini

A new cationic salep was conveniently prepared and used for flocculation of cement. ► High salep/water and monomers/salep ratios are important synthesis parameters. ► Cationic charge was important for efficiency of flocculation at lower dosages.

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Microwave synthesis and *in vitro* stability of diclofenac-β-cyclodextrin conjugate for colon delivery Original Research Article *Pages 512-517* Amélia C.F. Vieira, Arménio C. Serra, Rui A. Carvalho, Alexandra Gonsalves, Ana Figueiras, Francisco J. Veiga, Abdul W. Basit, António M. d'A. Rocha Gonsalves

Highlights

Novel cyclodextrin conjugate synthesised using microwave irradiation.
 Conjugates fully characterized using spectroscopic methods and HPLC analysis.
 The conjugate was stable in simulated gastric and small intestinal fluids.
 Conjugate readily hydrolyzed in human colonic conditions.

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Selective adsorption of hemoglobin using polymer-grafted-magnetite nanocellulose composite Original Research Article *Pages 518-527* Thayyath Sreenivasan Anirudhan, Sylaja Raveendran Rejeena

Highlights

► The hydrogel P(MAA-co-VSA)-g-MNCC was synthesized by graft copolymerization reaction. ► P(MAA-co-VSA)-g-MNCC was characterized using FTIR, XRD and TG techniques. ► Adsorption characteristics of hemoglobin (Hb) on P(MAA-co-VSA)-g-MNCC were studied. ► The adsorbent can be used in the selective recovery of Hb from aqueous solutions. ► Regeneration of spent adsorbent was possible with 0.01 M KOH.

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Ceric ion initiated synthesis of polyacrylamide grafted oatmeal: Its application as flocculant for wastewater treatment Original Research Article *Pages 528-536* Srijita Bharti, Sumit Mishra, Gautam Sen

► OAT-g-PAM was synthesized by 'ceric ion induced (conventional) method'. ► FTIR spectroscopy provided experimental proof of the proposed mechanism of synthesis. ► Synthesized grades were studied for efficacy as flocculant for waste water treatment. ► OAT-g-PAM showed higher flocculation efficacy than oatmeal. ► Higher the percentage grafting of OAT-g-PAM, higher is the intrinsic viscosity, higher is its flocculation efficacy.

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Polysaccharide-covered nanoparticles with improved shell stability using clickchemistry strategies Original Research Article *Pages 537-546* Maxime Laville, Jérôme Babin, Isabel Londono, Mélanie Legros, Cécile Nouvel, Alain Durand, Régis Vanderesse, Michèle Leonard, Jean-Luc Six

Highlights

b Dextran-g-PLA copolymers were obtained from azide-multifunctionalized dextran and α -alkyne PLA.

Biodegradable core/shell nanoparticles have been produced by 2 processes.
 Physically-adsorbed or covalently-linked dextran shell is described.
 Click-chemistry within these processes improves the shell stability, even in the presence of SDS.

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Structures of $(1 \rightarrow 6)$ - β -D-glucans from *Bulgaria inquinans* (Fries) and their immunological activities Original Research Article *Pages 547-552* Hongtao Bi, Tingting Gao, Dongbo Liu, Guihua Tai, Min Wei, Yifa Zhou

Highlights

► Three branched $(1 \rightarrow 6)$ - β -d-glucans were isolated from *B. inquinans* (Fries). ► All the $(1 \rightarrow 6)$ - β -d-glucans could significantly increase lymphocytes proliferation *in vivo*. ► Branched $(1 \rightarrow 6)$ - β -d-glucans had more significantly activities than unbranched one. ► The activity of branched $(1 \rightarrow 6)$ - β -d-glucans increased along with molecular weight.

Cellulose-polymer-Ag nanocomposite fibers for antibacterial fabrics/skin scaffolds Original Research Article

Pages 553-560 Gownolla Malegowd Raghavendra, Tippabattini Jayaramudu, Kokkarachedu Varaprasad, Rotimi Sadiku, S. Sinha Ray, Konduru Mohana Raju

Highlights

► Two different types of AgNPs formed are between 2 and 8 nm in size (by green process). ► Small size polymer AgNPs with cellulose fibers enhanced the inactivation of bacteria. ► Energy conserving process (which were reduced form carbohydrates). ► The green process is a low ingredient (<1%) consumption and effective output process. ► Functional 'CSNCPs' could find application in the textiles and medical application.</p>

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Intermolecular interactions between natural polysaccharides and silk fibroin protein Review Article *Pages 561-573* Songmin Shang, Lei Zhu, Jintu Fan

Highlights

► Interactions between natural polysaccharides and silk were systematically studied. ► Hydrogen bonding, electrostatic interactions and covalent bonding are focused on. ► The effect of these interactions on structures and properties was investigated. ► Such interactions can change the conformation of silk fibroin protein. ► They can also improve physical and chemical properties of the polymer matrix.

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Self-association of novel mixed 3-mono-O-alkyl cellulose: Effect of the hydrophobic moieties ratio Original Research Article Pages 574-581 Antonio Sullo, Yunhui Wang, Andreas Koschella, Thomas Heinze, Tim J. Foster

Highlights

▶ Cellulose was regioselectively substituted at position 3 of the repeating unit.
 ▶ The substituents are ethyl and propyl in different ratios.
 ▶ Gelation (aggregation) occurs on heating above a critical

temperature (T_m). Transition temperature and gel strength both depend on the ethyl/propyl ratio. The higher the propyl the lower T_m and the stronger the gel.

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Effect of ultrasonic treatments on nanoparticle preparation of acid-hydrolyzed waxy maize starch Original Research Article *Pages 582-588* Hee-Young Kim, Jung-Ah Han, Dong-Keon Kweon, Jong-Dae Park, Seung-Taik Lim

Highlights

► Mild acid hydrolysis combined with ultrasonication could effectively produce starch nanoparticles. ►

Ultrasonic treatments behaved as a dissociation force of the nanoparticles clustered in the aggregates.

► However, starch nanoparticles treated by ultrasonication may have reduced crystallinity.

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Structural features and water holding capacities of pressed potato fibre polysaccharides Original Research Article *Pages 589-596* Urmila R. Ramaswamy, Mirjam A. Kabel, Henk A. Schols, Harry Gruppen

Highlights

Polysaccharide interactions affect water holding capacity in pressed potato fibres.
 Modifications in interactions change water holding capacity.
 Interactions restored via hydration affect water holding capacity.
 Pectic galactans and xyloglucans could be important for interactions with water.

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Enhanced biodegradation resistance of biomodified jute fibers Original Research Article *Pages 597-603* Suvendu Manna, Prosenjit Saha, Debasis Roy, Ramkrishna Sen, Basudam Adhikari, Sancharini Das

Highlights

► A whole-cell catalyzed bio-process is developed to transesterify LCFs fibers. ► Treated fibers were stronger, more hydrophobic and biodgradation resistant. ► The process is inexpensive compared to chemical and enzymatic alternatives.

Depolymerization of fucosylated chondroitin sulfate from sea cucumber, *Pearsonothuria graeffei*, via ⁶⁰Co irradiation Original Research Article *Pages 604-614* Nian Wu, Xingqian Ye, Xin Guo, Ningbo Liao, Xinzi Yin, Yaqin Hu, Yujing Sun, Donghong Liu, Shiguo Chen

Highlights

A novel method for depolymerization of fCS by ⁶⁰Co irradiation was developed. ► Within mild irradiation conditions, fCS fragments kept similar structure to native fCS. ► The irradiation broke selectively the glucuronic acid units in the backbone of fCS. ► The fCS anticoagulant activities were related to their molecular weight. ► fCS oligosaccharides with low anticoagulant activity could be a potential antithrombotic drug.

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Catalytic function of a newly purified exo-β-D-glucosaminidase from the entomopathogenic fungus *Paecilomyces lilacinus* Original Research Article *Pages 615-621* Cheng-Fu Chao, Yi-Yun Chen, Chih-Yu Cheng, Yaw-Kuen Li



Graphical abstract

Highlights

▶ β-d-Glucosaminidase was first found in *Paecilomyces lilacinus*. ▶ *Paecilomyces* was engineered to secrete more β-d-glucosaminidase. ▶ A retaining β-d-glucosaminidase was purified and characterized.
 ▶ This enzyme hydrolyzes 95% deacetylated chitosan but not chitin. ▶ The cleavage pattern was identified by real-time mass spectrometry.

Preparation and properties of biodegradable films from Sterculia urens short fiber/cellulose green composites
Original Research Article
Pages 622-627
J. Jayaramudu, G. Siva Mohan Reddy, K. Varaprasad, E.R. Sadiku, S. Sinha Ray, A. Varada Rajulu

Highlights

▶ Newly identified fabrics from the tree *Sterculia urens* were extracted. ▶ Cellulose matrix/*S. urens* short fiber as a reinforcement films were prepared by a 'green' way. ▶ The green composite films are safe, stable and biodegradable. ▶ Thermal stability and mechanical properties of green composites were improved. ▶ These green composite films showed potential application in the packaging and biomaterials field.

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Isolation and characterization of microcrystalline cellulose from oil palm biomass residue Original Research Article *Pages 628-634* M.K. Mohamad Haafiz, S.J. Eichhorn, Azman Hassan, M. Jawaid

Highlights

Microcrystalline cellulose (MCC) was successfully isolated from oil palm biomass.
 Isolated MCC contains cellulose I with 87% crystallinity.
 MCC from OPEFB-pulp is shown to have good thermal stability.
 Atomic force microscopy shows that isolated MCC shows regular spherical particles.

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How can genipin assist gelatin/carbohydrate chitosan scaffolds to act as replacements of load-bearing soft tissues? Original Research Article Pages 635-643 Melika Sarem, Fathollah Moztarzadeh, Masoud Mozafari

Highlights

A systematic study of genipin cross-linking effects on G/CC scaffolds is presented. ➤ The properties of CC scaffolds are improved by addition of gelatin and genipin. ➤ Cross-linking with genipin can effectively enhance the stability of the scaffolds. ➤ The porosity and pore size originally depend on the cross-linking methods. ➤ Scaffold-cross-linking method shows the most suitable physico-chemical behavior. ➤ The G60/CC40 scaffolds cross-linked with 1% genipin exhibit excellent properties.

Stretching properties of xanthan, carob, modified guar and celluloses in cosmetic emulsions Original Research Article *Pages 644-650* Laura Gilbert, Vincent Loisel, Géraldine Savary, Michel Grisel, Céline Picard

Highlights

The filament stretching properties of cosmetic O/W emulsions were investigated. ► A method using a texture analyzer was developed to measure the stretchability. ► The maximum stretchable length was highly correlated to the sensory *Stringiness*. ► Different stretching behaviors were shown among the 5 emulsions of polysaccharides. ► The emulsion containing the xanthan gum was the most stretchable one.

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Characterization of mucilage polysaccharides, arabinogalactanproteins and cellwall hemicellulosic polysaccharides isolated from flax seed meal: A wealth of structural moieties Original Research Article *Pages 651-660* Sayani Ray, Florence Paynel, Claudine Morvan, Patrice Lerouge, Azeddine Driouich, Bimalendu Ray

Highlights

► Thirty percent of the matter of flax meal can be selected for specific applications. ► Besides RG-I and AX mucilages, HGA, Ara and Glc rich moieties, and AGP are present in flax meal. ► Structure of flax seed hemicelluloses was proposed for the first time. ► Structural analysis confirms that the isolated xylan was a branched heteroxylan. ► The xyloglucan is XXXG-type but also contain XXGG structure.

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Cetuximab conjugated *O*-carboxymethyl chitosan nanoparticles for targeting EGFR overexpressing cancer cells

Original Research Article *Pages 661-669* S. Maya, Lekshmi G. Kumar, Bruno Sarmento, N. Sanoj Rejinold, Deepthy Menon, Shantikumar V. Nair, R. Jayakumar

▶ Cetuximab conjugation enabled targeted delivery of Paclitaxel to cancer cells. ▶ Cet-PTXL-O-CMC
 Nps were specifically uptaken by EGFR over expressing cancer cells. ▶ Targeted Nps showed superior
 antiproliferative activity over non-targeted Nps. ▶ Cet-PTXL-O-CMC NPs enhances selective therapeutic
 efficacy for EGFR positive tumors.

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An insight into the emerging exopolysaccharide gellan gum as a novel polymer Review Article *Pages 670-678* Vipul D. Prajapati, Girish K. Jani, Bhumi S. Zala, Tohra A. Khutliwala

Highlights

▶ History and general introduction of gellan gum is stated in brief. ▶ Broad classification and detailed production process is described. ▶ Pharmaceutical applications of reported gellan gum formulations are explained in suitable tables.

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Study of glycol chitosan-carboxymethyl β-cyclodextrins as anticancer drugs carrier Original Research Article *Pages 679-685* Haina Tan, Fei Qin, Dongfeng Chen, Songbai Han, Wu Lu, Xin Yao

Highlights

► New drug carrier glycol chitosan-carboxymethyl β -cyclodextrins has been synthesized. ► The loading and release abilities for hydrophobic anticancer drugs were evaluated by surface plasmon resonance. ► Free carboxymethyl groups around the cavity of β -cyclodextrins improve the loading ability of the carrier. ► The release of doxorubicin is pH-sensitive.

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Homogeneous synthesis of hydroxypropyl guar gum in an ionic liquid 1-butyl-3methylimidazolium chloride

Original Research Article *Pages 686-690* Zhensheng Zhan, Bin Du, Shuhua Peng, Jianping He, Mingyu Deng, Jing Zhou, Ke Wang

Highlights

► We reported a method of homogeneous synthesis of hydroxypropyl guar gum. ► The value of degree of molar substitution was determined by means of ¹H NMR. ► The distribution of the

hydroxypropyl moieties was investigated by ¹³C NMR. \blacktriangleright The reaction showed a preference at the C₃.OH of the mannosyl residues.

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Influence of process variables on essential oil microcapsule properties by carbohydrate polymer-protein blends Original Research Article

Original Research Article Pages 691-697 Subham Banerjee, Pronobesh Chattopadhyay, Animesh Ghosh, Danswrang Goyary, Sanjeev Karmakar, Vijay Veer

Graphical abstract



Highlights

▶ Formation of microcapsules occurs from a multiple emulsion template. ▶ Oil encapsulation occurs within carbohydrate-protein blends. ▶ Prepared formulations showed significant dependency on process parameters. ▶ It can be used for prolonged release mosquito repellent application.

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Processing of microcrystalline cellulose in dimethyl sulfoxide, urea and supercritical carbon dioxide Original Research Article Pages 698-708 Aniket Selarka, Ronald Baney, Siobhan Matthews

Highlights

▶ Relative crystallinity of cellulose was reduced under DMSO/urea/scCO₂. ▶ Relative crystallinity reduced with increasing scCO₂ pressure. ▶ Relative crystallinity reduced from weakening of inter/intra-chain H-bonds in cellulose.

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Physicochemical and antibacterial properties of surfactant mixtures with quaternized chitosan microgels

Original Research Article *Pages 709-717* Kristopher E. Richardson, Zheng Xue, Yan Huang, Youngwoo Seo, Yakov Lapitsky

Highlights

Surfactant mixtures with quaternized chitosan microgels were investigated. ► Colloidal stability, antibacterial activity and solubilization properties were probed. ► Optimal properties were achieved using nonionic surfactants. ► These mixtures may be useful for cleaning and personal care product formulations.

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Multilayered textile coating based on a $\beta\mbox{-cyclodextrin}$ polyelectrolyte for the controlled release of drugs

Original Research Article *Pages 718-730* Adeline Martin, Nicolas Tabary, Laurent Leclercq, Jatupol Junthip, Stéphanie Degoutin, François Aubert-Viard, Frédéric Cazaux, Joël Lyskawa, Ludovic Janus, Marc Bria, Bernard Martel

Highlights

► Layer by layer process on a non-woven PET using chitosan and a polymer of cyclodextrins ► Building of a multilayer assembly up to 20 layers ► Visible deposition at the surface with charge alternation ►
 Effective encapsulation and release of a model molecule up to 40 days ► Release dependant on the layer number on the surface.

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In situ synthesized novel biocompatible titania-chitosan nanocomposites with high surface area and antibacterial activity Original Research Article Pages 731-739

K. Kavitha, S. Sutha, M. Prabhu, V. Rajendran, T. Jayakumar

Highlights

In situ synthesized TiO₂-chitosan series exhibit high surface area (208–265 m²/g). ► TiO₂-chitosan (2:1, v/v) shows enhanced bioactivity and antibacterial activity. ► No significant cytotoxicity in the prepared nanocomposites. ► Swelling behavior of composites increases the probability of cell attachment. ► Optimization of TiO₂-chitosan nanocomposites for biomedical applications.

Production optimization of invertase by Lactobacillus brevis Mm-6 and its immobilization on alginate beads Original Research Article Pages 740-746 Ghada E.A. Awad, Hassan Amer, Eman W. El-Gammal, Wafaa A. Helmy, Mona A. Esawy, Magdy M.M. Elnashar

Highlights

▶ We studied the production of invertase from *Lactobacillus sp.* from breast milk. ▶ A sequential optimization strategy for identified the enzyme production parameters. ▶ Immobilization of invertase onto grafted alginate beads. ▶ Immobilized invertase reuse for 15 cycles with retention of 100% of its activity.

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Formulation of a pectin gel that efficiently traps mycotoxin deoxynivalenol and reduces its bioavailability
Original Research Article
Pages 747-752
Chikako Tamura, Makoto Nakauma, Hiroko Furusawa, Tomoyuki Kadota, Yoichi Kamata, Motohiro Nishijima, Seigo Itoh, Yoshiko Sugita-Konishi

Highlights

► Low-methoxyl amidate pectin (LMA) gelation trapped the toxicant, deoxynivalenol mycotoxin (DON).

► An LMA pectin-gel trapped DON to a greater extent than a LMNA pectin-gel *in vitro*. ► The LMA gel suppressed the absorption of DON from the gut *in vivo*. ► This processing approach is valuable for reducing intoxication by DON present in food.

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Inclusion of quinestrol and 2,6-di-*O*-methyl-β-cyclodextrin: Preparation, characterization, and inclusion mode Original Research Article *Pages 753-760* Da-Wei Wang, Can-Bin Ouyang, Qi Liu, Hao-Liang Yuan, Xiao-Hui Liu

Highlights

► Inclusion complex of quinestrol and DM-β-CD was prepared under ultrasonic. ► A 1:1 stoichiometry of the obtained complex was confirmed by elemental analysis. ► The inclusion complex was found to significantly increase in water solubility. ► UV-vis, FT-IR, XRD, DSC and SEM were applied to

characterize the complex. ► Inclusion mode of the complex was obtained from both NMR and Molecular modeling.

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Synergetic degradation of konjac glucomannan by $\gamma\text{-}ray$ irradiation and hydrogen peroxide

Original Research Article *Pages 761-767* Tingtiao Pan, Shuhui Peng, Zhenlin Xu, Bo Xiong, Chenrong Wen, Minna Yao, Jie Pang

Highlights

► KGM was degraded by γ-ray irradiation and hydrogen peroxide for the first time. ► Provide a new way to prepare monodisperse KGM oligosaccharides without purification. ► The mechanism of KGM synergetic degradation was discussed for the first time.

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